

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Joseph C. Salamone, et al.) Examiner: K. L. Peng
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Serial No.: 10/003,635)
) Group No.: 1712
Filed: November 2, 2001)
) Docket No: P02866
Title: HIGH REFRACTIVE INDEX)
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COMPOSITIONS)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Honorable Sir:

Applicants herein respectfully request in this Petition a two (2) month extension of time as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a), from December 23, 2003 to February 23, 2004, within which to respond to the Office Action Final Rejection mailed September 23, 2003 regarding the above-identified application.

Please charge the required non-small entity two month extension fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) as well as any additional required fee to deposit account 02-1425. Triplicate copies of this petition are submitted herewith for billing purposes.

Should you have any questions regarding this communication, please feel free to contact me at (636) 226-3340.

Respectfully submitted,



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